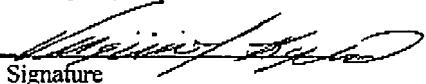


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**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the final Office Action mailed March 22, 2007, for which the Examiner has set a three-month period for response, thus making the response due on or before June 22, 2007. Filed herewith is a Petition for a One-Month Extension of Time thus making a reply due July 23, 2007 (July 22, 2007, being a Sunday).

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.